



2007 ANNUAL REPORT

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WSCIA Foundation Seed Service Report For Crop Year 2006 – 07 Ron R. Whittum

The 2006-07 crop year included 141 acres of Foundation and Breeder Seed production, producing 769,253 pounds of Foundation small grains and 33,549 pounds of Breeder small grains.

WSCIA-FSS produced Foundation and Breeder Seed for three different entities other than Washington State University and USDA/ARS, down from the previous year of working with seven private plant breeding programs.

This fall we planted a total of six head row blocks (4.5 Acres) for increase of Breeder seed. Total fall plantings at the Othello farm of 37.5 acres. Off-farm plantings total 184 acres. So far this is a 57% acreage increase over last year, with 2008 spring plantings yet to be added.

The anticipated release of Xerpha (WA 7973) soft white winter wheat led to the decision to plant approx. 60 acres this fall. WSCIA-FSS has received over 223,000 pounds of Year-In-Advance contracts for Foundation Xerpha, all with 20% prepayment in hand. Xerpha is adapted to a broad range of production areas. When compared to Madsen, Eltan and Tubbs, extensive data indicates it is equal or superior in grain yield, cold tolerance, end-use quality and resistance to various diseases. Xerpha should have a strong positive impact on the production of soft white winter wheat grown in Washington and surrounding Western States.

Small acreage increases were made by WSCIA-FSS in eastern Washington and northern Idaho for Brewer, Mason, Red Chief and LC7601114YZ lentils; also for Specter & Windham winter peas.

WSCIA-FSS contracted 20 acres of Foundation Sierra Chickpea in southeastern Washington and 16 acres of Foundation Troy Chickpea in northern Idaho this past spring, which should provide an estimated 18,000 pounds and 23,000 pounds, respectively, of clean seed. Available pounds to be allocated through this fall and into spring of 2008.

Foundation Seed Service Facts	2005/06	2006/07
<i>Breeder Lots Grown</i>	15	17
<i>Single Heads Snapped</i>	10,050	29,000
<i>Foundation Small Grains Produced</i>	693,315 #	769,253 #
<i>Foundation Peas, Lentils, Garbs Produced</i>	86,875 #	78,107 #
<i>Foundation Dry Bean Varieties Produced</i>	5	0
<i>Grass Seed Distributed</i>	15,775 #	20,261 #
<i>Foundation Seed Distributed</i>	592,395 #	852,742 #
<i>Number of Varieties Planted (Fall)</i>	25	23

PROMOTION REPORT

Years Ended April 30, 2006 & 2007

Fiscal Report	2006	2007
Revenue		
Promotion Fees	\$37,534	\$35,026
Operating Expenses		
Mileage/Subsistence	\$ 2,691	\$ 1,510
Promotion	\$26,726	\$29,673
Variety Testing	\$ 6,000	\$ - 0 -
Miscellaneous	\$ 395	\$ 1,773
Total Operating Expenses	\$35,812	\$32,956
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenue Over Expenses	\$ 1,722	\$ 2,070
Promotion Has \$32,234.87 Cash Reserve (4/30/07)		